

RESOLUTION 352
ANNA PETERSON CROSSLIN -- 2011 DISTINGUISHED FAIR HOUSING AWARD RECIPIENT
CITY OF ST. LOUIS CIVIL RIGHTS ENFORCEMENT AGENCY

WHEREAS, ANNA PETERSON CROSSLIN has had, and continues to have, a distinguished career as the President and Executive Director of the International Institute of St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, although she was not around at its founding in 1919, nevertheless ANNA PETERSON CROSSLIN has become synonymous with the International Institute and all the English classes, job placement, counseling, micro-lending, refugee settlement, and other integrative services it provides to more than 7000 refugees and immigrants from 75 countries annually; and

WHEREAS, she has received numerous awards and accolades, including recognition on the St. Louis Business Journal's "Most Influential St. Louisans" list; St. Louis Magazine's "St. Louis' Most Powerful People" list; YWCA Racial Justice Leader Award; Brotherhood-Sisterhood Award of the National Conference for Community & Justice; Stack Community Relations Award of the Jewish Community Relations Council; leadership awards from the Kemper Foundation and FOCUS St. Louis; two honorary doctorates from Webster University and Washington University (her alma mater); and graduate of Danforth Foundation's Leadership St. Louis Program; and

WHEREAS, ANNA PETERSON CROSSLIN has been active in the community, including board membership in the Girl Scouts Council of Greater St. Louis, member of the U.S. Attorney's Hate Crimes Task Force, and Valuing our Diversity Task Force of FOCUS St. Louis, among others; and

WHEREAS, ANNA PETERSON CROSSLIN'S life and service have exemplified the theme of this year's National Fair Housing Month Kickoff Celebration in St. Louis: "Building Inclusive, Sustainable Communities Free From Discrimination"; and

WHEREAS, ANNA PETERSON CROSSLIN is the 2011 Distinguished Fair Housing Award recipient in the City of St. Louis.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the many contributions (too numerous to recount in this Resolution) of ANNA PETERSON CROSSLIN to the refugee/immigrant communities, the City of St. Louis and to the creation of inclusive, sustainable communities free from discrimination. We direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the Minutes of our Proceedings. We further direct the Clerk to prepare a commemorative copy of this Resolution to the end that it may be presented to our honoree at the 5th Annual Kick-off Celebration for National Fair Housing Month in the City of St. Louis on March 31, 2011 in the City Hall Rotunda.

Introduced on the 25th day of March, 2011 by:

Honorable Craig Schmid, Alderman 20th Ward
Honorable Jennifer Florida, Alderwoman 15th Ward

Adopted this the 25th day of March 2011 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen